Minimum Common Programme

3910. SHRI JAYANTA BHATTACHARYA : Will the Minister of RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Union Government are planning to send the team to the different States to assess the implementation of Minimum Common Programme in the districts and in Blocks;

(b) if so, the present position of the implementation of Minimum Common Programme State-wise; and

(c) the funds allocated/utilised for the purpose during 1996-97, upto February 1997, State-wise ?

THE MINISTER OF RURAL AREAS AND EMPLOYMENT (SHRI KINJARAPPU YERRANNAIDU) : (a) to (c) The Common Minimum Programme (CMP) has been operationalised and action points alongwith the concerned administrative Ministries have been identified for the different points of the CMP. The Department of Programme Implementation (DPI) has been designated as the nodal department for monitoring the CMP. The administrative Ministries concerned with the action to be taken by them on particular items send implementation reports to the DPI.

There is no separate provision for funds for the purpose. However, the concerned Ministries make suitable provisions for their programmes.

[Translation]

Utilisation of Funds

3911. SHRI DATTA MAGHE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the funds provided for various Urban Employment Schemes have been fully utilised;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the total amount allocated and the extent to which it has been utilized ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU) : (a) to (c) Two Centrally sponsored urban employment schemes namely, Nehru Rozgar Yojana (NRY) and Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMIUPEP), are being implemented in the country.

N.R.Y. :– So far as NRY concerned funds have not been fully utilised.

The main reasons are that Banks under-finance the projects under the scheme of Urban Micro Enterprise (SUME). Secorndly, the scheme of housing and shelter upgradation (SHASU) not being an income generating scheme has not found favour with the urban poor. Since the inception of the Yojana in 1989, the total funds (Central + State) upto 1996-97 available with the States/UTs are to the tune of Rs. 924.06 crores, against which the expenditure reported is Rs. 605.12 crores.

PMIUPEP :– The Prime Minister's Integrated Urban Poverty Eradication Programme (PMIUPEP) was launched in November, 1995 to address the problems of urban poverty in small towns with a multi-pronged whole-town and integrated approach to the economic, physical and social dimensions of urban poverty. Most of the States are in the preliminary and foundation stages of the implementation of the Programme, such as house-to-house survey, spatial mapping, need assessment, preparation of project reports, building community structures etc.

A sum of Rs. 105.80 crores was released to the States/ UTs for 1995-96 under the programme. Rs. 26.227057 crores have been utilised till now, as reported by the State Governments Rs. 32.1434 crores have been released uptil now in the current financial year.

Transparency in Administration

3912. SHRI SURESH KALMADI : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Committee set up by the Government to recommend measures for an 'open and transparent administration' has submitted its recommendations; and

(b) if so, the salient features thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS. (SHRI S.R. BALASUBRAMONIYAN) : (a) No, Sir,

(b) Does not arise.

UPSEB

3913. DR. BALIRAM : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the resources from which the power is being supplied to the Uttar Pradesh State Electricity Board (UPSEB);

(b) whether power generation has been reduced or increased by any of these resources;

(c) the reasons for decline in power generation, any;

(d) the details and number of Power Stations/Sub-stations in the State at present; and

(e) the steps taken/proposed to be taken to increase the generation of power in the State ?